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SUBJECT: REPLIES TO FOURTH OF JULY MESSAGES FROM KING
AND PM

1. PLEASE CONVEY FOLLOWING MESSAGES IN RESPONSE TO AFGHAN
CONGRATULATIONS ON U.S. INDEPENDENCE ANNIVERSARY:

TO AHMED SHAH, REGENT, FROM PRESIDENT NIXON:
YOUR HIGHNESS: YOUR MESSAGE ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF OUR
INDEPENDENCE WAS DEEPLY APPRECIATED AS A SYMBOL OF THE
FRIENDSHIP AND MUTUAL RESPECT WHICH UNITES OUR TWO PEOPLES.

TO PRIME MINISTER SHAFIQ FROM PRESIDENT NIXON:
I SPEAK FOR ALL AMERICANS IN EXPRESSING DEEP APPRECIATION
FOR YOUR THOUGHTFUL MESSAGE OF CONGRATULATIONS ON THE
OCCASION OF THE ANNIVERSARY OF AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE.

TO PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS SHAFIQ
FROM SECRETARY ROGERS:

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YOUR MESSAGE ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF OUR INDEPENDENCE

SYMBOLIZES THE FRIENDSHIP AND MUTUAL REGARD WHICH
CHARACTERIZE THE RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN OUR TWO PEOPLES.

2. THE FOLLOWING MESSAGES WERE RECEIVED DIRECTLY BY THE
WHITE HOUSE AND THE STATE DEPARTMENT:
ON THE OCCASION OF THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE INDEPENDENCE

OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA I HAVE MUCH PLEASURE IN
EXTENDING ON BEHALF OF HIS MAJESTY MY FATHER, ON BEHALF
OF THE AFGHAN PEOPLE AND ON MY OWN BEHALF WARM GREETINGS
AND BEST WISHES TO YOUR EXCELLENCY AND THROUGH YOU TO
THE FRIENDLY PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES AND THEIR
CONTINUED PROSPERITY. MAY THE FRIENDLY RELATIONS WHICH
EXIST BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES BE FURTHER STRENGTHENED
AND DEVELOPED FOR THE MUTUAL BENEFIT OF OUR TWO PEOPLE
AND IN THE INTEREST OF WORLD PEACE. AHMAD SHAH REGENT.

IT GIVES ME A GREAT DEAL OF PLEASURE TO EXTEND TO YOUR
EXCELLENCY MY WARMEST GREETINGS AND BEST WISHES ON THE
OCCASION OF THE 187 (SIC) ANNIVERSARY OF AMERICAN
INDEPENDENCE. IN WISHING THE CONTINUED PROGRESS AND
PROSPERITY OF THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES I LOOK
FORWARD INDEED TO THE FURTHER STRENGTHENING AND
DEVELOPMENT OF THE ALREADY CLOSE RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR
TWO COUNTRIES. MOHAMMAD MOUSSA SHAFIQ PRIME MINISTER.

ON THE OCCASION OF THE 187 (SIC) ANNIVERSARY OF AMERICAN
INDEPENDENCE PLEASE ACCEPT MY WARMEST GREETINGS AND
BEST WISHES FOR THE CONTINUED PROGRESS AND PROSPERITY OF
THE FRIENDLY AMERICAN PEOPLE AS WELL AS FOR THE FURTHER
STRENGTHENING AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE ALREADY CLOSE AND
FRIENDLY RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES. MOHAMMAD
MOUSSA SHAFIQ, PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER FOR FOREIGN
AFFAIRS, KABUL.

3. THE DEPARTMENT DOES NOT PLAN TO RELEASE THE TEXTS
OF THE REPLIES, BUT HAS NO OBJECTION TO THEIR RELEASE
BY THE RECIBIENTS. RUSH

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